

**RESTORE ACT Direct Component Multiyear Plan Matrix — Department of the Treasury** OMB Approval No. 1505-0250

**Applicant Name:** Citrus County, Florida

**1. MULTIYEAR PLAN VERSION (INITIAL OR AMENDMENT NUMBER):** Initial **2a. DATE OF INITIAL MULTIYEAR PLAN ACCEPTANCE (mm/dd/yyyy):** **2b. DATE OF LAST MULTIYEAR PLAN ACCEPTANCE:**

**3. CUMULATIVE DIRECT COMPONENT ALLOCATION AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION TO APPLICANT:** **\$1,140,508.37** **4. TOTAL ALLOCATIONS PLUS KNOWN FUNDS NOT YET DEPOSITED IN TRUST FUND FOR DIRECT COMPONENT:** **\$4,363,502.85**

5. Primary Direct Component Eligible Activity Further Described in Application (Static Field)	6. Activity Title (Static Field)	7. Location (Static Field)	8. Estimated Total Funding Contributions For Proposed Activity(ies)(refer to Instructions)				9. Proposed Start Date mm/dd/yyyy	10. Proposed End Date mm/dd/yyyy	11. Status (refer to Instructions)
			8a. Direct Component Contribution	8b. Other RESTORE Act Contribution	8c. Other Third Party Contribution	8d. Total Contribution			
Infrastructure projects benefitting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure	Crystal River Riverwalk Project Phase II	Crystal River, FL	\$1,024,150.00	\$0.00	\$3,275,850.00	\$4,300,000.00	09-2018	09-2022	
Promotion of tourism in the Gulf Coast Region, including recreational fishing	Old Homosassa Heritage Park	Citrus County, FL	\$850,000.00	\$0.00	\$850,000.00	\$1,700,000.00	06-2024	06-2025	
<b>12. ESTIMATED TOTAL FUNDING CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ACTIVITY(IES) (refer to Instructions)</b>			<b>\$1,874,150.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$4,125,850.00</b>	<b>\$6,000,000.00</b>	<b>Please note: Grant awards may reflect non-material changes in proposed dates and estimated funding.</b>		

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# RESTORE ACT Direct Component Multiyear Plan Narrative

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**Directions: Use this form for the Initial Multiyear Plan and any subsequent amendments to an accepted Multiyear Plan. For amendments, include only new and/or materially modified activities.**

Multiyear Plan Version (Initial or Amendment Number):	Initial
Date of Initial Multiyear Plan Acceptance:	
Date of Last Multiyear Plan Revision Acceptance:	

Eligible Applicant Name:	Citrus County Government
Name and Contact Information of the Person to be contacted (POC) on matters concerning this Multiyear Implementation Plan:	
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<b>NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION:</b>
1. A description of each activity, including the need, purpose, objective(s), milestones and location. Include map showing the location of each activity.
<p><b>PROJECT 1: Crystal River Riverwalk, Phase II</b></p> <p><b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b> The Crystal River Riverwalk Waterward Project Phase II is a pedestrian boardwalk designed to integrate into the Riverwalk Landward Phase I now in construction. Riverwalk, Phase II construction will consist of approximately: 9,763 sq. ft. of concrete boardwalk at grade; 7,395 sq. ft. of elevated concrete boardwalk on pilings; 2,245 sq. ft. of timber boardwalk, ramps, and stairs; one (1) large and two (2) small viewing shelters; and component railings, handrails, fencing, access gates, etc. Features and amenities proposed includes signage, light fixtures, electrical convenience outlets, benches, bike racks, litter and recyclable receptacles, safety bollards, landscaping and irrigation, etc. Phase II also includes the elements to facilitate the transition to the landward section.</p> <p>The project will address local economic development needs by providing additional recreational opportunities and increasing connectivity among existing attractions along a coastal waterway in an established Community Redevelopment Area (CRA). The location of the project is located in downtown Crystal River along Kings Bay beginning on U.S. Highway 19 at NW 6th Avenue to NW 2nd Avenue, connecting on land to NW 1st Avenue and south to Kings Bay Park on NW 3rd Street.</p> <p><b>NEED:</b> Enhancement with in the downtown waterfront area and increased connectivity through a system of pathways linking existing public facilities, including parks, multi-use trails and public parking areas, with other local attractions. At present, there are a limited number of pedestrian connections between existing waterfront businesses and limited access to pedestrians who are not patrons of those businesses. This can be a deterrent to consumers who want to visit nearby waterfront businesses but don't want to deal with driving to several locations and having to find parking. The goal of the Riverwalk Project is two-fold: revitalization of the downtown area, with the Kings Bay waterfront being the focal point for activities and tourism; and improvement of recreational infrastructure to promote Eco-tourism, the key economic driver for the local community.</p>

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**PURPOSE:** This boardwalk will provide easy access to patrons as well as residents and tourists an opportunity to view a much greater area of the Kings Bay Waterfront. This access designed to encourage private funding economic development and help revitalize the Community Redevelopment Area by greatly increasing the connectivity of the waterfront area.

**OBJECTIVES:** Riverwalk, Phase II is designed to integrate into Riverwalk, (Landward) Phase one now in construction. The project will address local economic development needs by providing additional recreational opportunities and increasing connectivity among existing attractions along a coastal waterway in an established Community Redevelopment Area (CRA).

**MILESTONES:**

1. Advertise for bid
2. Award contract
3. Notice to Proceed
4. Completion

**LOCATION:** The location of the project is located in downtown Crystal River along Kings Bay beginning on U.S. Highway 19 at NW 6th Avenue to NW 2nd Avenue, connecting on land to NW 1st Avenue and south to Kings Bay Park on NW 3rd Street.

Restore Act Direct Component \$1,024,150, 3rd Party funds of \$3,275,850. The County intends to increase the Direct Component to \$1,702,868 once sufficient funds become available sometime in 2022, and decrease the 3rd party funding to \$2,597,132.

**PROJECT 2: Old Homosassa Heritage Park**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Old Homosassa Heritage Park project will include the purchase of 2.02 acres of waterfront property on the Homosassa River to provide public access via existing docks, to the water and shoreline and habitat preservation. The park will ultimately have a recreational area, picnic area, a public canoe and kayak launch, benches for scenic viewing of the river, a children's play area and potentially a fishing and commercial heritage museum, however these improvements are not included in this phase of the project.

**NEED:** Currently the residents and tourists of Homosassa have no public access to the River to launch a canoe or kayak, or any recreation area that is free of charge. The only public access to the River as of now is a boat ramp, and although the Homosassa Springs State Park provides recreation they charge daily fees of \$13.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children.

**PURPOSE:** To promote tourism by increasing public access to the Homosassa River via existing docks, which the State has designated an "Outstanding Florida Waterway". Providing this access will give residents and tourists another, cheaper, way to enjoy Citrus County and hopefully prolong their visit.

**OBJECTIVE:** Purchase 2.02 acres of waterfront property on Homosassa River, to provide public access to the water and promote tourism. The County will own and operate the property as a tourism venue; however, the County would like to reach an agreement with a local volunteer organization to maintain the Park and potentially convert a historic house into a heritage museum.

**MILESTONES:**

1. Property purchase
2. Park open to the public as a County Park

**LOCATION:** 5380 S Boulevard Dr, Homosassa, FL 34448

2. How the applicant made the multiyear plan available for 45 days for public review and comment, in a manner calculated to obtain broad-based participation from individuals, businesses, Indian tribes, and non-profit organizations, such as through public meetings, presentations in languages other than English, and postings on the Internet. The applicant will need to submit documentation (e.g., a copy of public notices) to demonstrate that it made its multiyear plan available to the public for at least 45 days. In addition, describe how each activity in the multiyear plan was approved after consideration of all meaningful input from the public and submit documentation (e.g., a letter from the applicant's leadership approving submission of the multiyear plan to Treasury or a resolution approving the applicant's multiyear plan).

Citrus County's MYIP public review and comment period began on 1/23/18. The County's MYIP and a comment section were posted on the Citrus County RESTORE Act web page on 1/23/18 (<http://citrusbocc.com/pubworks/restoreact/restore-act.htm>). A notice for the MYIP public comment period was also placed on the Citrus County BOCC home page on 1/23/18, with a link to the RESTORE Act page. The MYIP public comment period was announced at the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners regular meeting on 1/23/18. A notice for the MYIP public comment period was published in the Citrus County Chronicle (local newspaper) on 2/3/18, and a notice for the public hearing for the review of the MYIP comments was also published by the Citrus County Chronicle on 3/26/18. This notice included the date and location of the public hearing and contact information for citizens who required accommodations or a translator. The public review and comment period ended on 3/8/18, only one written comment was received and was in opposition to the Old Homosassa Heritage Park. The comment was read at the public hearing on 4/10/18, the public meeting agenda also included a response to the comment. The Citrus County Board of County Commissioners approved the MYIP as presented at the public hearing, with no changes to the MYIP or projects. There was public comment received at the public hearing, however all of the comments were positive.

3. How each activity included in the applicant's multiyear plan matrix meets all the requirements under the RESTORE Act, including a description of how each activity is eligible for funding based on the geographic location of each activity and how each activity qualifies for at least one of the eligible activities under the RESTORE Act.

**PROJECT 1: Crystal River Riverwalk, Phase II**

This Crystal River Riverwalk is RESTORE Act eligible as an infrastructure project benefiting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure by constructing a series of pathways along a portion of Kings Bay, which is located on Florida's Gulf Coast because it is public infrastructure as defined by the RESTORE Act Final Rule as public facilities needed to support commerce and economic development.

The Riverwalk is located in Citrus County which is in the Gulf Coast Region.

**PROJECT 2: Old Homosassa Heritage Park**

This activity meets the RESTORE Act eligibility requirement for promotion of tourism in the Gulf Coast region, including recreational fishing by providing public access to the Homosassa River for canoeing, kayaking and other recreational

activities. This public access will create a new opportunity for residents and tourists to enjoy the River and hopefully bring more tourists to the County.

Old Homosassa Heritage Park is located in Citrus County which is in the Gulf Coast Region.

4. Criteria the applicant will use to evaluate the success of the activities included in the multiyear plan matrix in helping to restore and protect the Gulf Coast Region impacted by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

PROJECT 1: Crystal River Riverwalk, Phase II

Success will be measured by the completion of the over 18,000 linear feet of Riverwalk boardwalk providing access to anyone who wants to visit the businesses along Kings Bay or just enjoy public access to the waterfront.

PROJECT 2: Old Homosassa Heritage Park

Success will be measured by purchasing the 2.02 acres needed for the Park, and creating a venue for tourism.

5. How the activities included in the multiyear plan matrix were prioritized and list the criteria used to establish the priorities.

The individual projects submitted from the public for possible Direct Component Funding, were ranked against other projects based on the project ranking criteria that was established by the BOCC at the July 28th, 2015 meeting.

The ranking criteria included the following categorizes

1. Regional Impact
2. Technical Feasibility
3. Readiness for Implementation
4. Environmental Benefits
5. Economic Benefits
6. Number of Citizens Benefited
7. Available Funding Match
8. Regulatory Feasibility

A score of 0 to 5 was assigned for each of the categories and staff presented the project rankings to the BOCC on February 23rd, 2016. The Crystal River Riverwalk project ranked first, and the Old Homosassa Heritage Park was submitted for funding under Pot 3 however it was not selected because at the time there was no funding match. In 2017 the State of Florida appropriated \$850,000 towards the purchase of property for the Old Homosassa Heritage Park, the project was then included in Pot 1 funding since all Pot 3 projects had been selected.

6. If applicable, describe the amount and current status of funding from other sources (e.g., other RESTORE Act contribution, other third party contribution) and provide a description of the specific portion of the project to be funded by the RESTORE Act Direct Component.

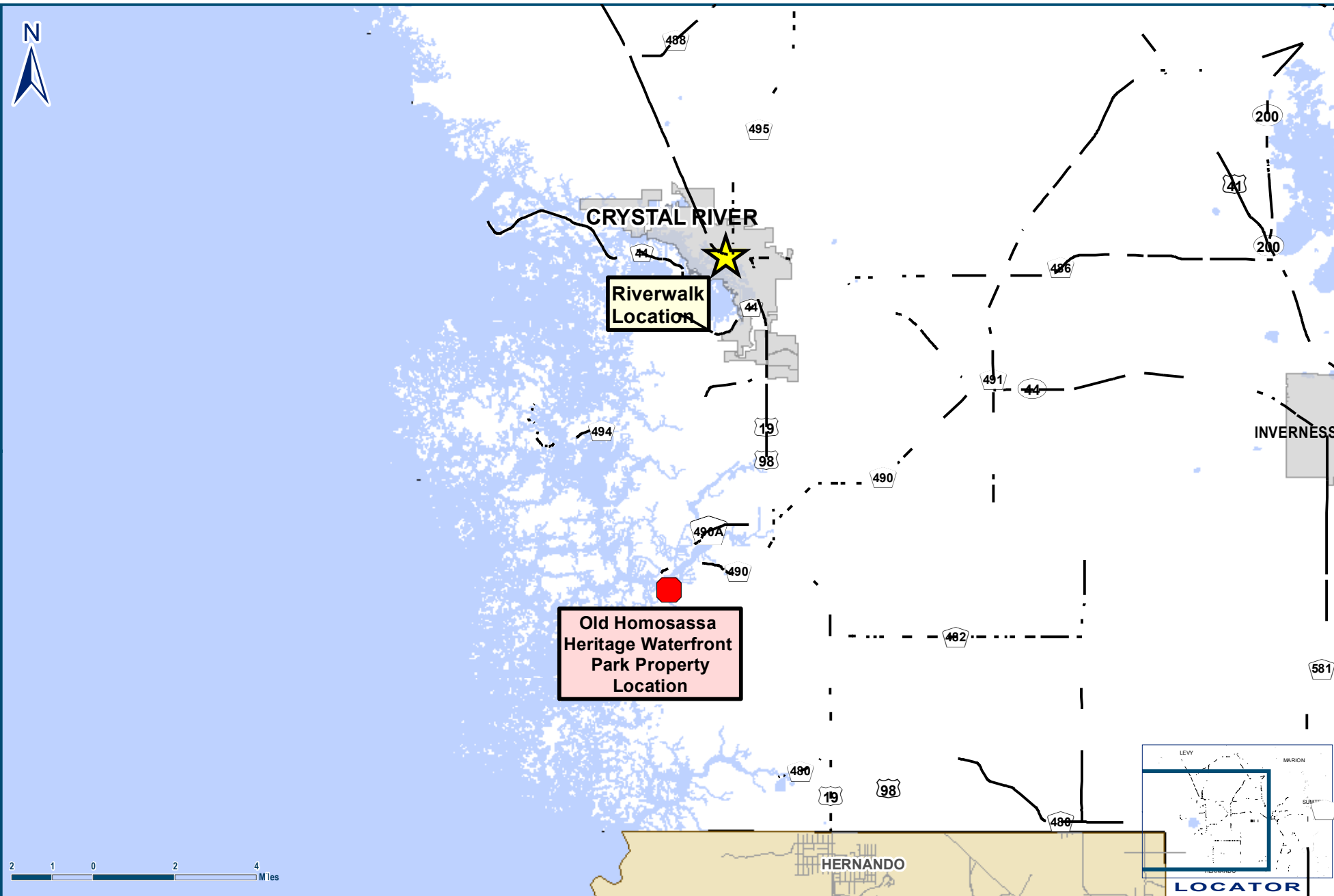
**PROJECT 1: Crystal River Riverwalk, Phase II**

The City of Crystal River will be using Community Redevelopment Area funds to provide the additional funding necessary for the Crystal River Riverwalk project. RESTORE Act funding of \$1,702,868 will be used along with Crystal River CRA funds not to exceed \$2,597,132. All costs are subject to final engineering estimates.

**PROJECT 2: Old Homosassa Heritage Park**

The Florida State Legislature has approved the County's request for funding in the amount of \$850,000, to be combined with RESTORE Act funds of \$850,000, to purchase the 2.02 acres needed for the Park.

The County may proceed with these projects with their own funds prior to the timeframes identified in the matrix and seek reimbursement of those funds from RESTORE when RESTORE funds become available.



**Legend**

- Crystal River Riverwalk Location
- Old Homosassa Heritage Waterfront Park Property Location

**Citrus County RESTORE ACT  
Direct Component Multiyear Plan  
Location Map**

**Geographic Information Systems**

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